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TAGS: PARM, CCD, UN, UK

SUBJ: CCD - SEABEDS ARMS CONTROL TREATY REVIEW CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 173290

1. UK DELOFF (WHITE), ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM FCO,  
PROVIDED US DEL AUG 6 WITH RESPONSE TO OUR  
INQUIRY REGARDING PROSPECTS FOR ACHIEVING CONSENSUS  
OF SEABEDS TREATY PARTIES FOR POSTPONING REVIEW  
CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR 1977.

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2. WHITE SAID BRITISH DID NOT FAVOR POSTPONEMENT.

PRINCIPAL REASON WAS POSSIBILITY THAT POSTPONEMENT, OR EVEN ATTEMPT TO ACHIEVE POSTPONEMENT, WOULD RESULT IN INTRODUCTION OF SEABEDS ARMS CONTROL ISSUES IN LAW OF SEA CONFERENCE. THIS WOULD BE THE CASE, HE SAID, WHETHER OR NOT LOS CONFERENCE WERE CITED IN RATIONALE FOR SEEKING POSTPONEMENT. ASKED WHAT BRITISH POSITION WOULD BE IF WE DECIDED TO PRESS FOR POSTPONEMENT, WHITE SAID UK WOULD BE PASSIVE OR GIVE ONLY LUKEWARM SUPPORT AT BEST. HE AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT CONFERENCE AND ITS PREPARATIONS SHOULD BE KEPT MODEST IN SCALE.

3. IN LIGHT OF BRITISH RESPONSE, DEPARTMENT MAY NOT WISH TO PURSUE MATTER OF POSTPONEMENT FURTHER. IF THIS IS THE CASE, US DEL WOULD SUGGEST THAT IN CLOSING SPEECH OF CURRENT CCD SESSION WE INDICATE THAT WE BELIEVE PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION SHOULD BE ADOPTED AT 1975 UNGA TO GET REVCON PREPARATIONS UNDERWAY, BUT THAT WE FEEL SEABEDS REVCON AND PREPARATORY WORK SHOULD BE MODEST IN SCALE. ABRAMS

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